

REMARKS

In response to the September 23, 2004 Office Action, applicants have amended the specification to include the appropriate headings. Further, applicants have amended claim 3 thereby obviating the rejection of such claim under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph.

Conclusion

Applicants have satisfied the requirements for patentability. All pending claims are free of the art and fully comply with the requirements of 35 U.S.C. §112. It therefore is requested that Examiner Tentoni issue a Notice of Allowance. In the event that any issues remain, Examiner Tentoni is requested to contact the undersigned attorney at (919) 419-9350 to resolve same.

Respectfully submitted,



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